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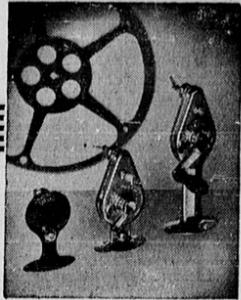
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High School's Control Passes To Torrance

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District would last only one year, or until the voters decided to unify the local school district.

Hull said: "This overwhelming sentiment for a unified school district and local control of their own schools tells me that the people of Torrance know what they want in public education and that they are going after it. The new responsibility adds a challenge to an already interesting and stimulating educational problem."

"Torrance has accomplished in less than six months the unification that other school systems have been seeking for years."

"The cooperation and neighborhood assistance of Redondo Union High School Board of Trustees should not be overlooked by those who are giving credit where credit is due, and I wish to publicly express my appreciation."

"The problem now is to see that it pays off in actual benefits to the children of the community."

Unification will mean that the tax rate, the control of the schools, courses of study and policy will be under one Board of Education and Administration, as of July 1, objective promised to the people of Torrance in the campaign to withdraw from the Los Angeles school system which was intensified in 1944 and brought to a conclusion with adoption of the City Charter on Aug. 6, 1946. The unification will mean the elimination in cost of administration and many other duplications in cost, it was pointed out.

The election was made possible by circulation of petitions calling for unification and their approval recently by the State Board of Education. The election was called immediately upon State approval.

While Torrance school officials have said that each high school teacher will be invited to file application for employment with the Torrance Unified Board of Education for service during the next school year, many of the Redondo teachers are reported to be planning to stay with the Redondo system.

The next important step in the formation of the new Tor-

1948 Kickoff Dinner Of 'Y' Slated Tuesday

The "Kickoff Dinner" for the 1948 Y.M.C.A. membership enrollment will be held Tuesday evening, Feb. 3 at the dining room of the First Christian Church of Torrance. Von Bergen, membership chairman, has announced that some 50 team captains and workers will hear Lorene Bell, executive secretary for the Pacific Southwest area Y.M.C.A., speak. Workers are to select their prospect cards at the meeting and actual enrollment will begin the following day.

The Y.M.C.A. goal for this year is 800 sustaining members and \$4,000 for finance. The goal includes plans for expansion of the Y.M.C.A. program to help meet the needs of youth in a growing community. The program will provide for part-time professional work to supervise more activities for younger boys in Gra-Y clubs and recreational activities.

The Torrance "Y" now has one professional worker, L. Milton Isbell, who came to Torrance in October of last year to assume the responsibilities of executive secretary. Plans for 1948 also include a program for youth in industry in the way of clubs, hobbies, special interest groups and recreation.

The 1947 "Y" program sponsored clubs for boys, athletic leagues, teen-age socials, individual counsel, special events for boys such as hikes, swims, tours and movies. More than 100 boys from the Torrance area attended a Y.M.C.A. summer camp last season.

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The Charter was so written, it is pointed out, that three of the members of the Board of Education must stand for reelection at that time. They are Mrs. Mark Wright, vice president; Carl D. Steele and George P. Thatcher. Each will seek reelection, it was said.

The holdover members are Dr. Wood and Mrs. Evelyn L. Carr, one of the spearheads of the "Torrance Schools for Torrance Children" drive. They will serve until April, 1950.

OBITUARY

FLORENCE ADA STOWE ARNOLD

Florence Ada Stowe Arnold, 29, died in Jacksonville, Florida, on Jan. 21. Her mother, Mrs. J. H. Stowe, lives at 25820 Reed st., in Lomita. Services were conducted at the Stone and Myers chapel by Bishop Russell Robertson and Elder Thomas T. Minson of the Wilmington Wards of the Church of the Latter Day Saints. Burial at Inglewood cemetery followed the services on Jan. 21. Besides her mother Mrs. Arnold is survived by her widower, Commander Joe H. Arnold, USN, a month-and-a-half-old infant daughter, Rita Victoria; two brothers, J. H. Stowe, Jr., of Harbor City and Thomas F. Stowe, and two sisters, Juanita Stowe, Lomita, and Mrs. Lucille Stephenson, of Wilmington.

LARRY WAYNE TRENT

The infant son, Larry Wayne Trent, 1 year old, of Mr. and Mrs. William Trent, 1650 West 214th st., died on Jan. 21. Graveside services at Holy Cross Cemetery were conducted by Father P. J. McGuinness of the Church of the Nativity on Jan. 24 at 3 p.m. Arrangements were by Stone and Myers Mortuary.

CORA M. COLWELL

Graveside services for Cora M. Colwell, former Torrance resident who died in Dallas, Oregon, recently, was arranged for by Stone and Myers Mortuary, following the arrival of remains on Thursday morning, Jan. 29. Burial was at Rose Hills Cemetery.

WILL ERNEST ROSS

Services for Will Ernest Ross, 77, were conducted in the Stone and Myers Chapel on Jan. 26. Ross, who was vice-president of the Bank of Ashland, Maine, died Jan. 23 while visiting his sister-in-law, Mrs. O. B. Robinson, who lives near Torrance. The remains were shipped to Dorchester, Mass., for burial.

ALICE LENORA JUSTICE

Rosary was recited for Alice Lenora Justice, 40, of 1622 Madrid ave., at the Stone and Myers Chapel at 8 p.m., Jan. 27. She died in the Harbor General Hospital Jan. 26. Mass was held at the Church of the Nativity on Jan. 28 by Father Patrick McGuinness. Interment was at Holy Cross Cemetery. She is

TORRANCE-LOMITA REALTORS' ANNUAL MEETING TONIGHT

Approximately 50 members and guests of Torrance-Lomita Realty Board will gather at 7:30 o'clock this evening for a dinner meeting to be held at Melton's-by-the-Sea, Manhattan Beach.

President W. E. Bowen will preside at the affair, which will honor the retiring president, B. C. Buxton.

survived by two daughters, Shirley and Barbara, and a son, Clyde.

AUGUST ELSIE HAEBERLIN

Reverend Gerald Stahley of the Gardena Foursquare Church conducted services for August Elsie Haerberlin at 10 a.m. on Jan. 27 in the Stone and Myers chapel. Haerberlin, who was 69, died in Harbor General Hospital on Jan. 24. He is survived by his two daughters, Alene Pederson, 2567 Sonoma, and Elwynna Holt of Topeka, Kansas, and two sisters, Elsie Brooks of Los Angeles, and Ruth Alsop of Salinas. Burial was in Roosevelt Park.

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